

Brigade Command Policy # 02-03

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MEMORANDUM FOR 1st Brigade, 1st Infantry Division (Mech)

SUBJECT: Registration and Control of Privately Owned Weapons

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to establish local policy concerning the registration and control of privately owned weapons within the 1st Brigade Combat Team.
2. Army Regulation 190-11 Physical Security of Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives and Fort Riley Regulation 190-1 Control of Owned Weapons, Explosive, and Ammunition provide specific guidance on the control of privately-owned weapons. The following is a summary of requirements.
3. All privately-owned weapons belonging to military members assigned, attached to, or temporarily stationed at Fort Riley, must be registered with their unit commander. A weapon (per FR Reg 190-1) is defined as:
 - a. Any firearm, including any revolver, pistol, rifle, shotgun, or other device designed for, or capable of propelling a bullet or other projectile by means of an explosion or compressed charge.
 - b. Any knife with a blade longer than four inches; a straight razor; spring or elastic powered BB gun; a sap, or like item; bows and arrows; crossbows and bolts, spears, swords, sabers, or dirks other than those used exclusively for ornamental, ceremonial, or sporting purposes.
4. All authorized privately-owned firearms transported in vehicles on this installation must be unloaded and locked in the vehicle's trunk, or, if the vehicle has no trunk, in a storage area of the vehicle beyond the reach of the vehicle's occupants.
5. A firearm is considered loaded when the firearm is configured with its ammunition attached or contained so as to be immediately ready to discharge its ammunition or when the ammunition is contained in a magazine, cylinder, or similar container, which is attached to, or otherwise integral with the weapon.
6. Soldiers residing in family quarters, either on or off post, may store their authorized privately-owned weapons, which includes firearms and ammunition, in their quarters or in the unit arms room. Under no circumstances will soldiers store weapons in quarters other than their own. Soldier residing in billets or BEQ / BOQ will store their weapons and ammunition in the unit arms room. Under no circumstances may privately-owned weapons and ammunition be stored in barracks areas or privately owned automobiles.
7. This policy memorandum is punitive. Violators may be subject to disciplinary action, including action under Article 92 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ). In accordance with Rule for Courts-Martial 306(a) and AR 27-10, para. 3-7d, I withhold to myself the authority to dispose of all offenses involving privately owned weapons. Each alleged violation of this policy will be handled on a case-by-case basis, according to the facts and circumstances of the incident.
8. "Devil Brigade!"

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BART HOWARD
COL, AR
Commanding